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Says the Galveston Tribune: "Col. Bryan and Senator Bailey are having a lot of fun saying things about each other's views on the tariff. The country is managing to get along about as usual." As in a prize fight there is more fun for the people than for the pugilists, so in this case the people are getting both amusement and instruction out of it. The people are the referees, too, and when the time comes will render the decision. The noise you hear now is only the yelling of the rowdies and means nothing.

Yesterday while among the boys on the campus the writer thought of the time, just fifty years ago, when he entered his senior year at college, and among other memories of those days the words and music of his class song, forgotten for many years, came back to him. To the uninitiated there isn't much sense in it, but to those who have had the experience it is full of thrills. Here is one stanza and the refrain:

When we first came on this campus
Freshmen we as green as grass,
Now as grave and reverend seniors
Smile we when the verdant pass.

Chorus.

Coker—chelunk—chelunk—chelalay;
Coker—chelunk—chelunk—chelalay;
Coker—chelunk—chelunk—chelalay;
Highe—chicker—chelunk—chelalay.

AN EXCELLENT SUGGESTION.

Bryan says Bailey is wrong. Bailey says Bryan is wrong, and other distinguished writers say both are wrong. How then is the layman to know whether any of them are right? About as good luck as any seems to be to get off in a corner and read the old Democratic tariff doctrine as it was handed down to us by Jefferson and construe it to suit ourselves.—Nava's Examined-Review.

The tariff schedules are so complicated that the average citizen cannot possibly compare them and form an opinion of their relative merits. They have been made so on purpose. It is a scheme like that of the Patriarch Job's false friends to "darken counsel with words without knowledge." The more intricate they can make it the more easily they can deceive the people and rob without being detected.

But there are some fundamental principles that are easy to understand, such as these:

The only honest tax is a direct tax because it is only under this system that everyone can know exactly how much he pays and to whom it is paid. Under the protective tariff system, according to Senator Bailey and others, for every dollar collected by the

government the protected interests get at least six dollars. This is robbery.

The object of the protective tariff is to keep out foreign competition and thereby enable the domestic producer to raise the price. He who says that an import duty does not raise the price is trying to deceive the people. The producer, then, is benefitted at the expense of the consumer. A duty on lumber benefits nobody but one who has lumber to sell. How many farmers in Brazos county have lumber to sell? And the same is true of iron, ore, of paper (including school books) of hides and all other articles whether raw material or manufactured product.

Every man has a natural and inalienable right to buy and sell where he pleases and any interference with this right is tyrannical. This is a fundamental truth and all the sophistry in the world cannot deracinate it. shake it. They might as well try to tear up the eternal rock from the bottom of the sea.

IS IT BRYAN VS. BAILEY?

Does Bryan wish to have the distinguished honor of representing Texas in the United States Senate? Has he bought his little farm in the southwestern portion of the State that he may become identified with the interests of the State and establish his residence here? What will his next move be? These are the questions that are agitating some of the high-up politicians in Texas and accounts for the unusual activity called forth by the Bryan strictures upon Bailey's tariff record.

Bryan is credited with considerable political foresight and that he is seemingly entering his wedge around the space occupied by Joe Bailey has caused more consternation than any political event for many years past. The promptness of the Bailey reply and the almost polite language in which it is couched leads one to believe that the Junior Senator from Texas realizes that he has a foe of calibre to deal with and that nothing but high-class conversation goes. Not one threat was uttered in that Dallas Auditorium Saturday speech which is another remarkable feat for the Junior Senator.

Bryan is a big foe; a mighty antagonist. One who is a veteran of many national campaigns; is said to be as wise as a serpent and as gentle as a dove, and it would seem that Bailey had annexed the gentle as a dove and the game at the start. If the big fight comes off, as many believe it will, Texas will have another attraction that will hold in center stage with all the limelights working.

What a scrap; what a combat; what a struggle; what a mighty upheaval of public questions and a rending of planks and platforms; a titanic battle that would cause the nation to hold its breath.

But wouldn't politics-loving Texans have one long grand barbecue while it was on. Hurry, gents, get busy; we're all waiting.—San Antonio Light.

SETTLE THE QUESTION ON ITS MERITS.

No man's fondness for Mr. Bryan should carry him to the extent of being willing to espouse the cause of error in order to agree with the great Nebraska. And no man's dislike for Senator Bailey should carry him to a point where he is willing to be wrong in order to be different from Bailey.

There is a right and a wrong side to this question and every patriotic citizen should try to get on the right side, without regard to who is on the wrong side.

Very good; and equally true if you put the case vice versa. Let every farmer in Brazos county ask himself the question: How much am I benefitted by a tax on lumber, on iron ore, on paper or any other article? Then let him vote according to his own interest.

When the assembly hall at the A. and M. College was built it was supposed to be large enough to seat all the students who would ever attend on the floor, while the spacious gallery was designed for the accommodation of the spectators. Yesterday the students filled not only the entire floor shock full but also most of the gallery, leaving little room for the visitors. While sitting on the platform looking over that great company of young men, the flower of the youth of Texas, every face aglow with enthusiasm, we thought: These are the coming men of this imperial state—the captains of industry, the heroes of reform, the generals of the army of progress. On the Athenian palestra, the Roman Campus Martius, the gymnasium of Imperial Germany, never was such a choice collection of fine material for the manufacture of brave, strong, energetic, wise men. Oh! it was a glorious, inspiring sight—one that made the heart of every patriot who saw it swell with emotion.

FOOTBALL TALK.

(From The Battalion.)

Well we're off in a bunch for the biggest prize in a big season—the orange and white play of Varsity and the championship of Southwestern, and who unto him who gets in the way and gets stepped on. If you haven't been out and taken a peep at A. and M.'s prospects prancing all over Kyle Field, take a day off and go. We're going to do big stunts this year and we want every fellow in the "corps of cadets" to get the spirit and if you can't get out and tear up the ground and the other players, get out and make a noise. We see now that when the team is picked from the orange and husky squad out now that it will go through the other team like an auto through a hen convention in a dusty road.

The Old Boys.

Among the old team men we are glad to note such men as Hamilton, Lugel, Leggett, Taylor, Hooker, Lillard, Cretcher, Carlin and McDonald. Captain Louie Hamilton is well known to be one of the best drop kickers and punters in the South. Last year at the game with University of Texas at Houston, Hamilton kicked a beautiful 48-yard goal from field and a second from the 40-yard line. Dan Rugel was taken out of the game twice last year with a broken shoulder. He is one of the nerviest men in the South—playing two or three downs after his shoulder was broken. He intends to make up this year the time he lost last year.

Little Willie Leggett is right there with the goods. He's "little but loud"—so other teams say. He came in a little late last year and his coming put lots of spirit in the team. He is here on the dot this year and can be heard yelling signals every evening.

Tip Taylor, half back, is a fast runner and a hard man to tackle. Last year he was thrown out of some games on account of scholastic work. We hope he will not let this occur this year as we need such men.

Hooker, the champion shot putter of the South, is one of our strongest line men. He has played two years on the team and has given the coach satisfaction, and his opponent line man something else.

Patty Lillard who played two years on the second team and last year made his "T" is also ready for work. Patty is a great wind-jammer so let us hope that he plays football like he jams wind and carries the ball like he does the college mail sack.

Last year was Cretcher's first year at A. and M. and therefore his first year on the team. Last year he was a little inexperienced in college football but with the experience he got last year he is going to turn something over this year.

Carlin failed to win his "T" last year but proved to be a valuable sub and was presented an "R." He's going after blood and a "T" this year and here's luck to him.

Mac is another "R" man. He is fast, nervy and hard—his nerve winning his T on the track. Mac is light but a good football player.

Last Year Squad Men.

We are also glad to note so many of our last year's squad men back. These men deserve special praise which they seldom get. They are the ones who are brul up by the first team in practice while the first team get all the praise for victory. We want every squad man to feel that he has gained a victory when we are victorious and that the practice and experience he receives on the squad is the best help he will have in making the first team.

George Barnes, the big husky, good natured fellow, who was forced off the squad last year because he could not get his parent's permission to play, is back and determined to show us just what we lost in him last year. He is fearless enough to make the all Southwestern and we think he will.

Dutch Hohn, the company league terror, is out for Dutch Darbyshire's position, fullback.

Patty (T. E.) Thompson is striving mightily for center. Other good husky squad men of last year who intended to be heard from are: "Papoosa" Dwyer, Fosgard, Borden, Aitgelt, Shrapshire, McCullough, and Bmade. Tommy Darst, who made such a record in athletics at Oklahoma A. and M. last year after leaving here, is putting up an excellent article of work.

Some New Men.

Carroll Ward, who comes to us from Allen Academy is a very promising man. He played end for Baylor in '07 and quarter back for Allen Academy in '08. When at Baylor he was considered by Varsity's coach as one of the hardest ends to go round.

Davis, of Dallas, is fast and snappy. He has played half back for the last two years and seems to understand the game.

Smith comes from L. S. U. Last year he played guard for L. S. U. against A. and M. and we know that he is a good man. We are glad to see him in an A. and M. uniform this year.

Miller and Scofield are two more Allen Academy men. They are both good men—Miller being a line man, and Scofield a back.

Hodges of Henrietta is a fast steady player and is rapidly developing into a good back.

There are other new men such as Young McAshan, Green, DeLacy, Frazier and others, who will soon introduce themselves by their hard steady practice.

"Choc" Kelly Coming.

"Choc" Kelly, reputed to be the best quarterback in the South and a member of the A. and M. football team for three years is on his way to College and promises to show Varsity several points in the game of "around, around, around." With "Choc" comes Sig Flinchman, full back on the A. and M. and All-Southwestern teams in '07. Both men are "fine business" and will be welcome additions to the squad. "Choc" writes also that he has a "fish" with him who is no slouch on the gridiron and who intends to make somebody hustle for a place on the first team.

Merriam Again Coach.

We are glad to note that N. A. Merriam will be our athletic director again this year. Last year Mr. Merriam came to us a stranger, took charge of the squad and brought it out wonderfully. This year he comes back a friend among friends. The football players know him and will work hard for him. He knows the players and will sacrifice everything in order to give them the best of his coaching ability. With this harmony we cannot help putting out a winning team. Mr. Merriam has been taking points in coaching this summer under Stagg of the Chicago University, the greatest coach in the world, and we feel sure Ned has something "up his sleeve" in football tactics.

Assistant Coach.

Moran, of Dallas, has been selected by Coach Merriam and the Athletic Association to act as assistant coach. He comes highly recommended by Hal Mosely, a prominent A. and M. graduate of Dallas and by Prof. E. J. Kyle. Last year Coach Merriam was greatly assisted by Weeks of Houston.

Coach Merriam Says:

"This is the most promising squad I could expect to have. We have lots of big fellows and lots of fast fellows out. More than three teams are already on the field and they are very good even as they stand now.

I have not worked them on the plays we will use this season but have been giving them hard, rough-and-tumble practice.

We have two strong back fields already the first consisting of Hamilton, Flinchman, Rugel and Kelly; the other of Taylor, Davis, Hohn and Leggett or McDonald. For ends Carroll Ward, Carlin and Aitgelt have shown up excellently. There is a possibility that Davis or Taylor may be used as ends later on.

As centers Barnes and Thompson are good heavy material and quick for their weight. These two with Cretcher, Hooker and Lillard will probably be used on the line. We are hoping that Bill Parker will return shortly.

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He handed her a package.

"Here is that old raw binding braid that you told me to buy. I found it last Monday in Billings, Mont. I have looked for it in thirty-seven states."

She tore off the wrappings.

"It is a little too dark," she said.

"But the sample has faded some in ten years," he reminded her.

"It is a little too heavy besides."

"But handling by thousands of clerks has worn the sample away some. It was heavier when I started out."

"I suppose I can make it do," she said.—Newark News.

Her Dime.

Somebody had given the east side woman a bad dime. It was composed largely of lead. She tried to pass it at several places, but they were wary for some reason or other on the east side. They invariably ring a dime on the counter once or twice and bite it besides. When she got home with the dime it had several holes in it from the pressure of east side teeth.

"It is more impossible than ever," she said.

The impudacious man called that evening. He had a dollar with him which was wholly intact—that is to say, it had not been broken.

"I am afraid they'll give me bad money for it," he said upon taking his departure, "over here in these east side cars. Will you change it for me?"

"I shall be delighted," said she.

He called a week later with a groan.

"You can't seem to get away from the bad money over here on your old east side," he complained. "Somebody or other stung me with an old lead dime that was full of holes."—New York Press.

Convincing the Waiter.

"I have learned how to make the foreign waiters in the restaurants where I eat think I have lived in Europe half a lifetime," said a woman who never dines at home. "I dawdle over my dinner twice as long as anybody else in the place. It requires no effort for me to do that. By nature I eat in the same leisurely manner that I do everything else. Most of my companions bolt their food. As a consequence the foreign waiters who are used to leisurely dining regard them with amazed horror.

"Ah, those Americans! They exclaim. 'Some day they choke. But as for madame—meaning me—well, madame is different. Madame dines, she sips, she lingers; therefore she is not as these common American clays. It takes madame never less than two hours to eat her dinner. That marks her as one of the European elite.'—New York Globe.

Some Odd Spelling.

Americans, says the London News, employ the word "Britisher," which they invented, in a contemptuous sense. It was a certain Philadelphia wit who is said to have asked his friends what a "Britisher" would mean to convey by the written word "ghoughphtweight-levan." He had to explain to them that, according to the genius of the English language, it meant "point." Thus: Gh-p, as in "horough"; ough-o, as in "dough"; phth-t, as in "pith-sic"; eigh-s, as in "neighbor"; tte-t, as in "gazette," and eau-o, as in "beau." This was at least as puzzling as the lively stable keeper's bill which contained the two lines—

Answers.

Atacinnommgia.

Nobody who does not "know the answer" has ever yet arrived at the solution, which is, in the vernacular of the creditor himself, "A 'oss 'at a day" and "A-takin' on 'im 'one ag'in."

Unappreciated Efforts.

Unselfish goodness is seldom appreciated in this world of ours. There was that man in the electric car, for instance. Having rung up three fares in his efforts to stop the car for the lady that sat on the opposite side, he tossed after her the umbrella that belonged to the little gray whiskered man on his right. Neither the gray whiskered man nor the conductor liked the thoughtful Samaritan for his altruistic efforts.—Boston Transcript.

There Are Better Seats.

"He is now, they say, on the very pinnacle of fame, and yet he isn't exactly in comfortable circumstances."

"That's not surprising. Did you ever sit on a pinnacle of any sort?"—Brooklyn Citizen.

The Better Way.

"A wfully rude of him to throw a kim at me."

"Yes, my dear; those are things which always ought to be delivered in person."—Illustrated Bits.

What He Found.

"He went into the country to find solitude."

"Did he find it?"

"No; quite the opposite. He sat down on an ant hill."

Cunning.

Deemster—Whenever I have to let out money I try to get it from a peasant. Fieldman—Why? Deemster—A peasant never expects to get it back.—Life.

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